

Does your child have a love for reading?

Ms. Ridley, MHA Gifted Facilitator, will be taking a team to the January/February 2023, Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl!

Ms. Helen Ruffin was a DeKalb County School librarian. She wanted to motivate students to read excellent books, so she started the Reading Bowl.

Teams from participating schools compete against each other in a competitive game format. Students are asked questions about the 10 books chosen by the Georgia Book Award Nomination Committee.

The Reading Bowl is a competition with other elementary school teams in our county, then district, then region, then state. The first competition will be on the 2nd and/or 3rd Saturday in January 2023.

We will have a practice every Monday after school in Ms. Ridley's classroom until 4:00, starting the 2nd week of August and going through the week(s) we compete.

To prepare for the Reading Bowl competition, we will read and discuss the ten books, learn about topics about the books, write practice questions, practice using the competition buzzers, and memorize facts about the books. What is the benefit of being part of this club? First, students can share their love of reading with others. Second, students are allowed to participate in a friendly competition (involving cool buzzers like those used on Jeopardy). Finally, team members will be allowed to check out a Reading Bowl book each Monday from Ms. Ridley's room.

You may purchase the books, (you don't have to) or you can have your child check them out from the public library. We would love for them to begin reading over the summer to get a jump start. 😊

If you have any questions, please feel free to email Ms. Ridley at regina.ridley@baldwin.k12.ga.us

Below is the list of books to read to prepare for the 2023 HRRB.

Isaiah Dunn Is My Hero by K.J. Baptist

Hope Springs by J. Berry

Star Fish by L. Fipps

Muffled by Jennifer Gennari

The Lion of Mars by J. L. Holm

Measuring Up by L. LaMotte

Power Up by S. Nisson

Millionaires for the Month by S. McAnulty

Root Magic by E. Royce

How to Disappear Completely by A. Standish